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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 12 November 2004, official holiday.]

Monday, 15 November 2004

Security Council

10 a.m. 5076th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Timor-Leste

Progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (S/2004/888)

3.30 p.m. 5077th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Afternoon¹ Consultations of the whole (closed). Consultations Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question
Other matters

Afternoon² 5078th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

¹ To be held following the 5077th meeting.

² To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.



General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. 53rd plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: *note by the Secretary-General transmitting the ninth annual report of the International Criminal Tribunal (A/59/183) [50]*; Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: *note by the Secretary-General transmitting the eleventh annual report of the International Tribunal (A/59/215) [51]*; *joint debate*

Main Committees**Second Committee**

3-6 p.m. 32nd meeting Conference Room 2

1. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources (A/59/89-E/2004/21 and A/59/3 (Chap. 1)) [91]

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

2. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [39]

- (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.29

3. Sustainable development [85]

- (b) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.17 and A/C.2/59/L.34

- (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.7 and A/C.2/59/L.31

4. Eradication of poverty and other development issues (A/59/115, A/59/155-E/2004/96 and A/59/158) [89]

- (a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) (A/59/326 and A/59/326/Add.1)

- (b) Women in development (A/59/287)

- (c) Industrial development cooperation (A/59/138)

Introduction and general discussion

Third Committee

- 3-6 p.m. 43rd meeting Conference Room 1
1. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [103 (a)]
Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.69
 2. Right of peoples to self-determination [104]
Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.70
 3. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [105 (b)]
Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/59/L.42 and A/C.3/59/L.45

Fifth Committee

- 10 a.m. 24th meeting Conference Room 3
- Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 [108]
 Capital master plan (A/59/441, A/58/556, A/58/712, A/58/779, A/59/420 and A/59/556)
Introduction and general discussion
- Morning¹-1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
- Informal consultations on agenda item 106 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/59/5 (Vol. I), A/59/5 (Vol. III), A/59/5 (Vol. IV), A/59/5/Add.1, A/59/5/Add.2, A/59/5/Add.3, A/59/5/Add.4, A/59/5/Add.5, A/59/5/Add.6, A/59/5/Add.7, A/59/5/Add.8, A/59/5/Add.9, A/59/5/Add.10, A/59/5/Add.11, A/59/5/Add.12, A/59/A/59/161, A/59/162, A/59/318, A/59/318/Add.1 and A/59/400)); and 117 (United Nations pension system (A/59/9, A/59/9/Add.1, A/C.5/59/11 and A/59/447))
- 3-6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
- Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Human resources management (A/59/263, A/59/263/Add.1, A/59/263/Add.2, A/59/357, A/59/211, A/59/264, A/59/291, A/59/446, A/59/217, A/59/222, A/58/666, A/59/299, A/C.5/58/L.13, A/58/283, A/59/213, A/59/213/Add.1, A/C.5/59/CRP.3, A/C.5/59/4, A/59/388, A/59/253, A/59/152, A/58/704, A/56/956, A/56/956/Add.1, A/59/65 and A/59/65/Add.1))

¹ Following the adjournment of the 24th meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

- 10.30 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10
- 3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10
- United Nations Population Fund

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Second Committee

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Khondker Talha (Bangladesh), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (a) (International trade and development), will be held on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Claudio Rojas (Chile), on the draft resolution on agenda item 87 (Globalization and interdependence), will be held on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind), will be held on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal "informals", convened by the Permanent Mission of Angola, on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (b) (International assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola), will be held on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity), will be held on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Third Committee

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations, convened by the Vice-President of the Third Committee, Ms. Astanah Banu Shri Abdul Aziz (Malaysia), to negotiate the Chairman's text relating to the issue of the revitalization of the work of the Committee on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be informal consultations, convened by the Vice-Chairperson of the Third Committee, Ms. Mavis Kusorgbor (Ghana), on the issue of the criteria for the invitation of Special Rapporteurs, on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Other meetings

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Monday, 15 November 2004

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on human rights and extreme poverty (organized by the Permanent Mission of Peru)

9–10.30 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on measures to be taken against political platforms and activities based on doctrines of superiority and violent nationalist ideologies which are based on racial discrimination or ethnic exclusiveness and xenophobia, including neo-Nazism (organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

3–4.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

4.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel” (under agenda item 39) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (draft resolution on groups of countries in special situations: Third United Nations Conference on least developed countries; draft resolution on specific actions relating to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation; and draft resolution on globalization and interdependence: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 (draft resolution on globalization and interdependence: international migration and development)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 (all outstanding issues before the Second Committee)

1-3 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 (coordinating meeting on sustainable development)

1-3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Group of 77 (draft resolution on eradication of poverty and other development issues: achieving coherence of development goals with conflict prevention and peace-building measures; and draft resolution on eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 (draft resolutions on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD): progress in implementation and international support; and draft resolution on implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa)

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 (Third Committee matters)

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts: on human cloning)

10-11 a.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

African Group (Fifth Committee matters)

1.15-2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings on *Monday, 15 November 2004*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2004/11/20041115.unat.conf.htm.

Monday, 15 November 2004**Room S-226**

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Time to be determined . H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc de la Sablière, Permanent Representative of France (on the upcoming Security Council mission to Central Africa)

Forthcoming official meetings**Tuesday, 16 November 2004****General Assembly**

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. 54th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea [49 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

(a) Oceans and the law of the sea

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/62 and A/59/62/Add.1, A/59/63, A/59/126)

(ii) Report of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its fifth meeting (A/59/122)

(iii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.22)

(b) Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/298)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.23)

Main Committees**Second Committee***List of speakers*

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Tuesday, 16 November 2004, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its 26th meeting on Wednesday, 17 November 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, and its 27th meeting on Friday, 19 November 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 (draft resolution on eradication of poverty and other development issues: industrial development cooperation)

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 (draft resolution on eradication of poverty and other development issues: industrial development cooperation), on Tuesday, 16 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 39 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 39 (a)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, on Tuesday, 16 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9, and on Thursday, 18 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

JUSCANZ Group (on the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR))

There will be a closed meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (on the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, on Wednesday, 17 November 2004, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 39) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel (under agenda item 39), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union on Wednesday, 17 November 2004, and on Friday, 19 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7. For further questions, please contact Mr. Dirk-Jan Nieuwenhuis (e-mail dj.nieuwenhuis@minbuza.nl).

Seminar on "The relevance of population aspects for the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals" (organized by the Population Division, DESA)

There will be a seminar on "The relevance of population aspects for the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals", organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, from 17 to 19 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C. Members of Permanent Missions and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director, Population Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-3179).

Special presentation in connection with the work of the General Assembly under agenda item 35 (Culture of peace) (organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, DESA)

In connection with the work of the General Assembly under agenda item 35, there will be a special presentation by Professor Talât Halman, Chairman of the Department of Turkish Literature, Bilkent University (Ankara) and former Minister of Culture of Turkey, on "Culture of peace". The event, organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will take place on Wednesday, 17 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat Staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Marc-André Dorel, Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-7204; e-mail dorel@un.org).

Eastern European Group (Fifth Committee matters)

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European Group (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Thursday, 18 November 2004 from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

Briefing on the Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, DESA)

There will be a briefing on the upcoming Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (Seoul, 24-25 May 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 18 November 2004, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent

Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Seok-hee Kang (tel. 1 (212) 439-4090; or e-mail shkang93@mofat.go.kr).

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

As part of the series on policy awareness and training in information technology, the third high-level seminar of this year on "Policy awareness and security issues in information technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 19 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The seminar is part of the third annual series, presented under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation. For further information please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology. Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Briefings by the Peacekeeping Best Practices Unit, Department of Peacekeeping Operations

There will be two briefings, organized by the Peacekeeping Best Practices Unit of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, as indicated below. Members of all Permanent Missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Michael Mesina (e-mail mesina@un.org).

Monday, 22 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber: briefing to the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations on the overview of its recent studies and introduction of the newly launched Gender Resource Package for Peacekeeping Operations; and

Tuesday, 23 November, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber: briefing by the Criminal Law and Judicial Advisory Unit (CLJAU) of the Peacekeeping Best Practices Unit, to the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations.

UNITAR workshop on international trade

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the World Trade Organization (WTO), is organizing a workshop on international trade. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York on Monday, 22 November, and on Tuesday, 23 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. The workshop is intended primarily for members of Permanent Missions in New York. A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The briefing is intended primarily for representatives of those States that will be members of the Council in 2005. Depending on the availability of seats, delegates from other States may attend as observers. The briefing will be held on the following dates: Monday, 29 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 30 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Thursday, 2 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all States that will be members of the Security Council in 2005. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 24 November 2004. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements**Security Council****Recorded information**

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

The report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/59/545 and can also be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than *19 November 2004*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to <http://emeets.un.org> and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that in accordance with draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.27 adopted by the Second Committee and General Assembly resolutions 58/213 A and B (A/RES/58/213), the International Meeting to Review the

Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. Two days of informal consultations will be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate effective preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 10 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Third Committee

41st meeting

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [105 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.32

The representative of Cuba introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Azerbaijan, Cameroon, China, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guinea-Bissau, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Myanmar, Namibia, Pakistan, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, the Sudan, Togo, Tunisia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms. [105 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.37

The representative of Malaysia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and China.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.39

The representative of Malaysia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and China.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.40

The representative of Malaysia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and China.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.52

The Secretary announced that due to a technical error Switzerland should be deleted from the list of sponsors of the draft resolution.

The representative of the Russian Federation then introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Ecuador, El Salvador, Peru, Turkey and Ukraine. The Dominican Republic, Eritrea and Kyrgyzstan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.56

The representative of Belgium introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Burkina Faso, Canada, Croatia, Denmark, Ecuador, Guatemala, Japan, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Nigeria, Panama, Peru, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine. Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Mali, Norway and the Republic of Moldova joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.57

The Secretary announced that due to a technical error Thailand should be deleted from the list of sponsors of the draft resolution.

The representative of Finland then introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document and Uruguay, and announced that Senegal had withdrawn from the list of sponsors.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.59

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ecuador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Georgia, Nicaragua, the Republic of Moldova, South Africa, Switzerland and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Azerbaijan, Haiti, Mali and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.61**

The representative of France introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Bolivia, Brazil, Central African Republic, Cuba, Eritrea, New Zealand, Niger, Paraguay, Togo, Turkey and Ukraine. Afghanistan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Haiti and South Africa joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.62

The representative of Romania introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Slovakia, Slovenia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Ukraine. Belgium, Denmark, Liechtenstein, Serbia and Montenegro and Sweden joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [105 (c)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.46

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Iceland and Turkey.

Statements were made by the representatives of Zimbabwe and Cuba.

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.48**

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Japan, Liechtenstein and Monaco.

The representative of the Republic of Moldova stated that his delegation had withdrawn as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

The representative of the Sudan made a statement.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.49

The Secretary informed the Committee that France should be listed as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

The representative of the Republic of Moldova stated that his delegation had withdrawn as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors, as well as Monaco.

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.50**

The representative of Canada introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Liechtenstein, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Tuvalu.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.53

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Liechtenstein.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.54

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

The representative of the Republic of Moldova stated that his delegation had withdrawn as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.60

The representative of Belarus introduced the draft resolution.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [100]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives Serbia and Montenegro, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Nigeria and Kenya.

A statement was also made by the observer of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

Right of reply

The representatives of Armenia, Morocco, Azerbaijan and Algeria made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement on the organization of work.

Thursday, 11 November 2004

Security Council

5074th (closed) meeting *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 11 November 2004, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5074th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (UNMISSET).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Ms. Lisa Buttenheim, Director of the Asia and Middle East Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations.

"Representatives of the participating troop-contributing countries, Ms. Buttenheim, and members of the Council had a constructive exchange of views."

5075th meeting

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Letter dated 8 October 2004 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2004/807)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Deputy Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina, His Excellency Mr. Mladen Ivanić, and the representatives of Japan and the Netherlands, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Lord Paddy Ashdown, High Representative for the Implementation of the Peace Agreement on Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Lord Ashdown.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Mr. Mladen Ivanić, Deputy Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Statements were then made by the representatives of Germany, the United Kingdom, Brazil, the Russian Federation, Chile, China, Pakistan, the Philippines, France, Spain, Romania, Algeria and Angola, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Croatia; and the EFTA country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement) and Japan.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Jaap de Hoop Scheffer, Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Mr. de Hoop Scheffer.

Lord Ashdown responded to comments and questions posed by speakers.

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

51st plenary meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/332) [39 and (a) and (c)]: joint debate

- (a) *Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/93 and A/59/374)*
- (c) *Assistance to the Palestinian people*
 - (i) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/121)*
 - (ii) *Draft resolution (A/59/L.24)*

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Iceland, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey), Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Grenada (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Nigeria (on behalf of the African Union), China, Switzerland, the United States, Norway, India, Japan and the United Arab Emirates.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Guinea, Turkey, Egypt, Peru, Zambia, the Russian Federation and Malaysia.

Programme of work

The members were informed that on Tuesday 23 November 2004, in the morning, the General Assembly would consider agenda item 163.

52nd plenary meeting

Tribute to the memory of His Excellency Mr. Yasser Arafat, late President of the Palestinian Authority.

The General Assembly observed a minute of silence.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Gambia (on behalf of the African States), Indonesia (on behalf of the Asian States), Belarus (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Nicaragua (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), New Zealand (on behalf of the Western European and other States), the Sudan (on behalf of the Arab States), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Malaysia (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement) and Turkey (on behalf of the Organization of the Islamic Conference); as well as by H.E. Mr. Paul Badji, Chairman of the Committee

on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, and the representative of Egypt.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/332) [39 and (a) and (c)]: joint debate

- (a) *Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/93 and A/59/374)*
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 - (ii) *Draft resolution (A/59/L.24)*

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (c).

Statements were made by the representatives of Malaysia, Canada, the Republic for Korea, Indonesia, Ukraine, Australia, Mexico, Mongolia, Rwanda, Ethiopia and Israel.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 45/6 of 16 October 1990, the observer for the International Committee of the Red Cross made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 47/4 of 16 October 1992, the observer for the International Organization for Migration made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (c).

The President informed members that action on draft resolution A/59/L.24 would be taken at a later date.

Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/59/L.15/Rev.1) [35]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 35.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/59/L.15/Rev.1 (resolution 59/23).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines and Kazakhstan.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 35.

Main Committees

Third Committee

42nd meeting

Programme planning. [109]

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and Venezuela.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee took note of Programme 19 of the proposed strategic framework for the period 2006-2007, as contained in document A/59/6 (Prog. 19), and decided to transmit it, through the President of the General Assembly, to the Fifth Committee for its consideration.

Statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand, Guatemala, Mexico and Costa Rica.

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [94 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Oral draft decision

The Vice-Chairperson, Ms. Rachel Groux (Switzerland), reported on informal consultations held on the proposed supplement to the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities, and read out an oral draft decision.

The Committee adopted the oral draft decision.

Advancement of women [98]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.24

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Australia made a statement, in the course of which he orally revised the draft resolution and announced that the following delegations had joined as sponsors: Algeria, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mexico, Myanmar, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Niger, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Venezuela.

Albania, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Burundi, Cape Verde, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Dominica, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Mauritania, Mauritius, Micronesia (Federated States of), Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, the Sudan, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Viet Nam, Zambia and Zimbabwe also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Following a statement by the representative of Bangladesh, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms. [105 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.34

The Secretary read out a statement of programme budget implications arising from the draft resolution.

The representative of Cameroon announced that Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, France, Germany, Italy, Morocco and the United States of America joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently, Belgium, Côte d'Ivoire, the Gambia, Ghana, Mali, South Africa, Togo and Tunisia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.52

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of the Russian Federation announced that Tajikistan and Uzbekistan had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently, Sri Lanka and Togo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A recorded vote was requested on the draft resolution.

A general statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 109 to 49 with 5 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Chile, the Syrian Arab Republic, Japan and Canada.

Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [105 (c)]

Draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.60

The representative of Belarus made a statement, in the course of which he withdrew the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Malaysia, Cuba, China and Indonesia.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Malaysia and Switzerland, as well as by the Secretary.

Fifth Committee

23rd meeting

Programme planning [109]

The Committee resumed its general discussion and heard statements by the representatives of Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Turkey, Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), the Bahamas, Jordan, the Republic of Korea, Cuba, the Syrian Arab Republic, Japan and Mexico.

The Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination made a concluding statement.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Thursday, 11 November, following the adjournment of the formal

meeting, under the chairmanship of Mr. Seyed Morteza Mirmohammad (Islamic Republic of Iran).

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [113]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/59/L.10, which had been coordinated by the representative of South Africa, Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this item at this stage.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [118]

The Committee resumed its general discussion.

The Senior Officer in the Office of the Deputy Secretary-General, Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division, of the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, Director of the Logistics Support Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services replied to questions raised.

Statements were then made by the representative of Cuba and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

General Assembly

2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

Opening of the Pledging Conferences

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs opened the 2004 Pledging Conferences and read out a statement, on behalf of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Election of the President

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs invited the members to proceed to the election of the President.

H.E. Mr. Eduardo Sevilla Somoza (Nicaragua) was elected, by acclamation, as President of the 2004 Pledging Conferences.

The President addressed the Conferences.

Election of Vice-Presidents

H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson (Gambia), Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan) and Mr. Ilir Melo (Albania) were elected as Vice-Presidents of the 2004 Pledging Conferences.

2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

1st meeting The President opened the 2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities.

Statements regarding the pledges

Statements were made and pledges announced by the representatives of India, the United Arab Emirates, Turkey, Kuwait, Myanmar, Malaysia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mozambique, the Russian Federation, Jamaica, South Africa, Bhutan, Venezuela, China, Singapore, Tunisia, Algeria, Nicaragua, Djibouti, Morocco, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Viet Nam, Namibia, Pakistan and Colombia.

The Secretary made a statement.

Adoption of the report

The Conference adopted its draft report, as contained in document A/CONF.208/2004/L.1.

Closure of the Conference

The Director of the Information of the Executive Board and Resource Mobilization Division of the United Nations Population Fund made a concluding statement, on behalf of the Executive Director.

The Deputy Director of the Division for Resources Mobilization of the United Nations Development Programme made a concluding statement, on behalf of the Administrator.

The Deputy Director of the Programme Funding Office of the United Nations Children's Fund made concluding statement on behalf of the Executive Director.

The President declared the 2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities closed.

2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

1st meeting The President opened the 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme.

Adoption of the report

The Conference adopted its draft report, as contained in document A/CONF.209/2004/L.1.

Closure of the Conference

The Director of the New York Office of the World Food Programme, made a concluding statement on behalf of the Executive Director.

The President made a statement and declared the 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme closed.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session 2004

54th meeting

Coordination, programme and other questions [7]

(d) *Long-term programme of support for Haiti*

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft decision E/2004/L.58/Rev.1

The Council adopted the draft decision.

After the adoption of the draft decision, the representative of Haiti made a statement.

Regional cooperation [10]

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft decision E/2004/L.59

The Council adopted the draft decision.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the President of the Council, the Council decided to defer consideration of draft resolution III, entitled "Implementation of resolutions concerning the participation of associate member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in the follow-up to United Nations world conferences and in the work of the Economic and Social Council", contained in document E/2004/15/Add.2.

Economic and environmental questions [13]

(g) *Public administration and development*

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the President of the Council, the Council decided to defer consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (E/2004/44).

(h) *International cooperation in tax matters*

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The Secretary of the Council made a statement.

Action on draft resolution E/2004/L.60 (and programme budget implications, contained in E/2004/L.61)

The Council adopted the draft resolution as orally corrected.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of Cameroon, Japan, the United States, Belize (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union) and Bhutan made statements.

Conclusion of the session

The President declared the work of the 2004 substantive session of the Council closed.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Wednesday, 10 November 2004

Economic and Social Council**Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights**

Thirty-third session

United Nations Office at Geneva

34th meeting *Substantive issues arising in the implementation of the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights* [3]

The Committee discussed the report of the Chairpersons and Inter-Committee Meetings and the draft guidelines on an expanded core document.

35th meeting *Consideration of reports* [6]

(a) *Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant*

(b) *Reports submitted by specialized agencies in accordance with article 18 of the Covenant*

The Committee began its consideration of the fourth periodic report of Denmark (E/C.12/4/Add.12). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meeting, introduced the report and replied to questions raised and comments made by the members of the Committee.

Thursday, 11 November 2004

36th–37th meetings *Consideration of reports* [6]

(a) *Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant*

(b) *Reports submitted by specialized agencies in accordance with article 18 of the Covenant*

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Signatures, Ratifications, etc.**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991

Acceptance: Malaysia (10 November 2004)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Accession: Djibouti (10 November 2004)¹

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990

Signature: Serbia and Montenegro (11 November 2004)

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

Symposium on "Diabetes in Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean and Africa"

There will be a symposium on "Diabetes in Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean and Africa" on the occasion of World Diabetes Day, co-sponsored by the Global Alliance for Women's Health (GAWH), the Pan American Health Organization, Regional Office of the World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO), and the Permanent Missions of the

Bahamas, Barbados, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, El Salvador, Fiji, Grenada, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Panama, Singapore, Timor-Leste and Trinidad and Tobago. The symposium will be held on Tuesday, 16 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat Staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the office of Global Alliance for Women's Health (tel. 1 (212) 286-0424; e-mail contactus@gawh.org).

Panel discussion on "Carbon emission reduction: A new commodity – The impact of Carbon finance and trading on sustainable development" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

There will be a panel discussion on "Carbon emission reduction: A new commodity – The impact of Carbon finance and trading on sustainable development", organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on Wednesday, 17 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. at the West Terrace (4th floor of the United Nations Building). Members of Permanent Missions and Permanent Observers, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Claudia Beretta (e-mail claudia.beretta@italyun.net) or Ms. Laura Canuto (e-mail laura.canuto@italyun.net) (tel. 1 (646) 840-5322).

Launch of the International Year of Microcredit 2005 (18 November)

The International Year of Microcredit 2005 will be officially launched on Thursday, 18 November 2004. The opening ceremony will take place from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The documentary "Small Fortunes, Microcredit and the Future of Poverty" will be screened from 12 noon to 12.45 p.m. in the same room. High-level panels will also take place from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information on the programme, please contact the office of UNCDF (tel. 1 (212) 906-6229; Web site www.yearofmicrocredit.org).

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2004 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Gambia

H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:

Indonesia

H.E. Mr. Rezlan Ishar Jenie

Eastern European States:

Belarus

H.E. Mr. Andrei Dapkiunas

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Nicaragua

H.E. Mr. Eduardo J. Sevilla Somoza

Western European and other States:

New Zealand

H.E. Mr. Don MacKay

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Dutch presidency of the European Union:

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- A/59/268/Add.1 Item 47 — Sport for peace and development: International Year of Sport and Physical Education — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/59/394 Item 115 — Joint Inspection Unit — Review of Management and Administration in the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- A/59/432 Item 105 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Report of the Secretary-General on Khmer Rouge trials [A C E F R S]
- A/59/559-S/2004/890 Items 36 and 148 — The situation in the Middle East — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Identical letters dated 8 November 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
- A/59/L.22 Item 49 (a) — Oceans and the law of the sea — 17-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
- A/59/L.23 Item 49 (b) — Oceans and the law of the sea: sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments — 17-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
- A/59/L.24 Item 39 (c) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: assistance to the Palestinian people — 30 Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

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